

REMARKS

Claim 10 has been cancelled. Claims 1-9 and 11-18 have been retained unchanged except for a formality in which the numerals have been deleted.

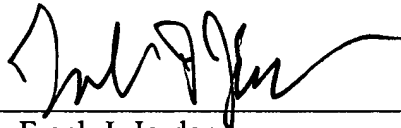
The cancellation of claim 10 removes the Examiner's objection under 37 CFR 1.83(a).

Claims 1-9 and 11-18 have been allowed.

In view of the above, there are no longer any outstanding issues. Accordingly, issuance of the Notice of Allowance for claims 1-9 and 11-18 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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